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SUBJECT: DHEW/INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH COOPERATION

REF: KARACHI 1003

1. THERE IS NO FORMAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ICMR AND DHEW. HOWEVER, A CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP HAS BEEN DEVELOPED BETWEEN EMB SCI OFFICE, ICMR AND DHEW HEALTH AGENCIES.

2. WHEN NEW PROPOSALS ARE RECEIVED BY ICMR FOR SUPPORT THAT FIT INTO OVERALL INDIAN HEALTH PRIORITIES A COPY IS SENT TO EMB SCI OFFICE. THE DRAFT PROPOSAL IS THEN FORWARDED VIA AIRGRAM THROUGH STATE TO DHEW FOR INITIAL REVIEW AND DETERMINATION IF RESEARCH IS RELEVANT TO DOMESTIC PROGRAM INTERESTS. CONVERSELY, IF RESEARCH PROPOSALS ARE RECEIVED BY THE EMB FROM DHEW HEALTH AGENCIES SEEKING INDIAN COOPERATION, WE DISCUSS THESE WITH ICMR STAFF IN RESPECT TO US AND INDIAN HEALTH PRIORITIES.

4. AFTER RESEARCH PROPOSALS ARE APPROVED BY ICMR THEY ARE RECOMMENDED TO MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (MOHFP) FOR FINAL CLEARANCE.

5. THE DIRECTOR GENERAL, ICMR HAS REQUESTED DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FROM MOHFP FOR FINAL APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR ALL COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROGRAMS WITH DHEW. MOH WOULD BE KEPT INFORMED

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BUT WOULD NOT CLEAR EACH AND EVERY PROJECT. IN THIS CASE IT WOULD

BE NECESSARY FOR DG/ICMR TO HAVE AN APPOINTMENT IN MOH SO HE COULD  
OFFICIALLY APPROVE PROJECTS FOR THE GOI. THIS IS SIMILAR TO THE  
METHOD OF OPERATION OF THE  
INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND THE PAKISTAN COUNCIL  
OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH. THIS PROCEDURE ELIMINATES BUREAUCRATIC  
DELAY AND SPEEDS UP PROJECT APPROVAL CONSIDERABLY.SCHNEIDER

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